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RELEASE OF WELL

WHEREAS, that certain Oil and Gas Lease was made and entered into on November 1, 1961, by and between the United States of America, Lessor, and William J. Froelich, Jr., Lessee, Serial Number NM-0210688; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence C. Harris, whose address is Post Office Box 1714, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, is the present Lessee of record;

WHEREAS, said Lease provides that there is reserved by the Lessor all rights pursuant to Section 40 of the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, (41 Stat. 437), as amended) to acquire the well for a water well located on said Lease.

WHEREAS, Lawrence C. Harris, as Lessee and operator has drilled and completed a certain well located 660 feet from the South Line and 660 feet from the West Line, Section 26, T. 13 South, R. 28 East, N.M.P.M., a portion of the above lease, which well appears to contain water of such quality and quantity to be valuable and usable at a reasonable cost for agriculture, domestic or other purposes; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence C. Harris as Lessee and operator will release, relinquish and quitclaim all right, title, and interest in and to said well to the United States of America in lieu of plugging same to surface; and

WHEREAS, the United States of America, acting by and through the Secretary of the Interior desires, pursuant to said Lease and said Mineral Leasing Act of February 20, 1920, as amended to take over said well with the express understanding and agreement that the taking over of such well will not restrict operations of said Lease.